

FORM PTO 1390 (REV 10-2003)		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE	ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER <b>10/505215</b>
TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371			U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) NEW APPLICATION
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP03/009169	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 18 July 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 2 August 2002	
TITLE OF INVENTION TIRE DISTORTION DETECTING METHOD, DISTORTION DETECTOR, AND TIRE THEREOF			
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Yutaka Hattori			

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

- ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing 35 U.S.C. 371.
- ☒ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371 (f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
- ☒ The US has been elected (Article 31).
- ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2))
  - ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - ☒ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
- ☒ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).
  - ☒ is attached hereto.
  - ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))
  - ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
- ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).
- ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).
- ☐ An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).

Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

- ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
- ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
- ☐ A preliminary amendment.
- ☐ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
- ☐ A substitute specification.
- ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
- ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.
- ☐ A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- ☒ Other items or information: A copy of WO2004/013596A1 and Form PCT/IB/308; Return Receipt Postcard

U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>10/505215</b> NEW APPLICATION	INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP03/009169	ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER IPS-0228
--	--	--------------------------------------

21. ☒ The following fees are submitted:

**BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492 (a) (1) – (5)):**

☐ Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$1080.00

☒ International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$920.00

☐ International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO ..... \$770.00

☐ International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... \$730.00

☐ International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... \$100.00

**ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =**

Surcharge of **\$130.00** for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492 (e)).

CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		
Total claims	25-20 =	5	x 18.00	\$	90.00
Independent claims	3-3 =		x	\$	0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(s) (if applicable)				+	290.00
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				\$	1,300.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				\$	
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>				\$	1,300.00
Processing fee of <b>\$130.00</b> for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492 (f)).				\$	
<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>				\$	1,300.00
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21 (h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). <b>\$40.00</b> per property				+	\$ 40.00
<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>				\$	1,340.00
				<b>Amount to be refunded:</b>	\$
				<b>charged:</b>	\$

a. ☐ A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the above fees is enclosed.

b. ☒ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 18-0013 in the amount of \$ 1,340.00 to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

c. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-0013. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

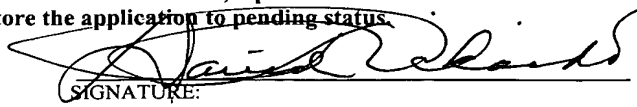
d. ☐ Fees are to be charged to a credit card. **WARNING:** Information on this form may become public. **Credit card information should not be included on this form.** Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

**NOTE:** Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137 (a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:

David T. Nikaido  
 RADER, FISHMAN & GRAUER PLLC  
 1233 20th Street, N.W., Suite 501  
 Washington, DC 20036  
 (202) 955-3750  
 Date: August 20, 2004

CUSTOMER NUMBER: 23353

  
 SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 NAME: David T. Nikaido  
 REGISTRATION NUMBER: 22,663